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Sir:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date on which further action will be taken on this Application. An Amendment was filed April 20, 2006 responsive to the Office Action mailed January 20, 2006.

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Second Status Request for Awaiting Further Action (in duplicate)

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